## GEO. W. CUMMINGS DEAD.

## Was Vice President of the American

NEW YORK, August 29 .- George W. Cummings, vice president of the American Press Association, died suddenly August 28 at Banff, Northwest territory, while on his way from his home in Los Angeles, Cal., to New York. Mr. Cummings was born near Terre Haute, Ind., in 1848, and was graduated from Indiana State University in 1872. He engaged in journalism, was one of the founders of the American Press Association, and in his later years was identified with a number of busin iss undertakings. Mr. Cummings died possessed of a considerable fortune. He will be buried in Woodlawn cemetery, New

#### SENATOR HOAR'S CONDITION.

#### Quite Cheerful and Takes Nourishment.

WORCESTER, Mass., August 29 .- Senator Geo. F. Hoar was unchanged today. He is quite cheerful and continues taking nourishment. The senator is seventy years of age to-

#### FAIRBANKS OBLIGING. Senator Poses for Boston Photogra-

phers-Goes West Next. BOSTON, Mass., August 29.-Senator Charles W. Fairbanks of Indiana, the republican candidate for Vice President, left here today for White River Junction, Vt., where he was scheduled to deliver a political address during the afternoon. The candidate was accompanied to Vermont by United States Senator Redfield Proctor of that state. Before boarding the train at the North station Mr. Fairbanks granted the request of the several photographers and patiently waited on the platform beside the locomotive until several snap-shots had been taken. After that a number of people who were passing stepped forward to receive a handshake from Mr. Fairbanks. Mr Fairbanks said that after speaking at White River Junction it was his intention to start at once for the west by way of Montreal, inasmuch as he was scheduled to make a speech at Marion, Kan., September 1.

#### OLD SOLDIERS' DAY.

#### Large Crowd Attends the Closing Day of Chautauqua.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. CUMBERLAND, Md., August 29 .- The chautauqua at Mountain Lake Park closed today, the feature being the annual Grand Army of the Republic day. John Dewitt Miller delivered an address on "Our Country," and Capt. Jack Crawford, the post scout, entertained for an hour. The annual campfire of all soldiers, with reminiscences, followed. The last excursion of the season was run today, and the attendance at the park was large.

#### MACHINE AGENT KILLED.

#### Edward Needy Struck by a B. and O. Train at Brunswick, Md. Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

HAGERSTOWN, Md., August 29 .-- Edward B. Needy, a sewing machine agent of Hagerstown, was struck and killed by a Baltimere and Ohio passenger train at Brunswick, Md., this afternoon. He stepped from one train and alighted directly in front of the engine of another train. His body was terribly mangled. He leaves a wife and child in Hagerstown and also a brother, W. H. Needy, who is one of the leading business men of Hagerstown. Deceased was thirty-five years old

## WOMAN FATALLY BURNED.

#### Went to Sleep With Lighted Cigarette in Her Mouth.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. NORFOLK, Va., August 29.-Clara Cropper, a young white woman, was fatally burned here this morning as the result of lighting a cigarette while in bed and going to sleep with the cigarette in her mouth. Miss Cecile Lagori, a wealthy young Catholic, noted for her deeds of charity, died at her home in Norfolk last night after a few hours' illness and before her devoted sister, who was at a nearby summer resort could reach her bedside.

## NEW MILITARY BRIDGE.

#### Is of German Invention and Can Be Erected in Sections.

BERLIN, August 29.-Three regiments of military railroad builders in the last few days erected a strong, wide bridge over the Elbe, in the country district near Wittenburg, capable of bearing heavy artillery and army transports. It was torn down to-The experiment and the material for cost \$500,000. Extraordinary precautions were taken to keep the country and to prevent photographs of it being taken. The structure, which was perfected by members of the general staff, was built sections that can quickly be put to-ther. If one or more sections are destroyed by shells or by fire others can be substituted. The bridge can be adapted to streams varying in width and depth. Gen. you Einem, the war minister, inspected it Saturday and pronounced it admirable.

## Barney Oldfield Improving.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., August 29.-Barney Oldfield, who was injured yesterday in an accident that demolished his automobile and resulted in the death of two men, is at the Missouri Baptist Sanitarium recovering from several cuts and bruises. It is ex-pected that he will be out again in a few

## The North Atlantic Fleet.

PASQUE ISLAND, Mass., August 29 .-The North Atlantic fleet of battle ships, which has been cruising in European waters, was sighted this forenoon off Mcnenmsha Bight, Martha's Vineyard, steaming westward toward No Man's Land. As the battle ships left Hotoa, Azores Islands, cellent one. The vessels are to engage in target practice off No Man's Land. The fleet, which is under command of Rear Admiral Barker, consists of the bat-tle ship Kearsarge (flagship), Alabama, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri and Maine,

#### Vice Admiral Rolland Dead. LONDON, August 29.-The death is an-

nounced that Vice Admiral W. R. Rolland, retired. He was born in 1817.

Admiral Rolland received a gold medal from the United States government for saving part of the crew of the United orig Sumers, upset off the Island of Sacrificios, on the west coast of Mexico.

## Largest Dental Congress Ever Held.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., August 29 .- The international dental congress, the largest ever held, convened in Music Hall today with more than six hundred dentists from various parts of the world. The organization committee, after completing its selections for honorary presidents and vice presidents, decided, in view of the opposition and contest that has developed, to rescind its action making the nominations for the officers of the congress final and submit them to the congress as a whole. The officers nominated by the committee are: Dr. H. J. Burkhart of Batavia, N. Y., president; Dr. A. Wharland, New York city, secretary, and Dr. Mark Finlay, Wash-ington, D. C., treasurer.

### Largest Sugar Factory Burned. BERLIN, August 29.-The largest sugar factory in Germany, named Kulmsee near

#### AFFAIRS AT PORT AU PRINCE.

#### U. S. Cruisers Arrive-Commission Begins Investigation of Charges.

PORT AU PRINCE, Haiti, August 29 .-The United States cruisers Newark and Denver have arrived here. The commission appointed by the chamber of communes has begun its investigation into the charges of mismanagement of the national finances brought against the

comparatively light. minister of finance, M. Bijou, who still re-tains his portfolio. The minister will be tried by the senate, acting as a high court

### A NOTABLE DISCOURSE.

#### Dublin University Governor Blames Churches for Bigotry.

CHICAGO, August 29 .- Tracing the greatst truths of the Christian religion to an origin in the beliefs of heathen nations, and expressing the opinion that many of the writings of the Bible are not inspired products of their attributed authors, Prof. John Pentland Mahaffy, governor of the University of Dublin, has delivered the convocation sermon to the University of Chicago graduating class in Mandell Hall.

Dr. Mahaffy used for his subject, "What Does Christianity Owe to the Jews?" "The doctrines of the trinity and the incarnation were imported from primitive peo-ples," the speaker raid. "The trinity comes from the documents of the Egyp-tians and the Indians, and the incarna-

"It is remarkable that the notion of sacrifice appears not only in the religions of all civilized nations, but also in the lower races, commonly called heathen and primitive, and whose notions of religion were very crude. I do not believe that Genesis is an inspired book and that Moses was directly inspired in writing his account of the origin of the world. He used old documents of the Egyptians and Mesopota mians, and did not write from direct obser vation. The serpent in the Garden of Eden was not Satan disguised, as many good people have been taught to believe. The serpent is merely the most subtle beast of the field, not the evil one. Christianity is not a new thing, but it is the gathering of all the great truths and the weaving of them into the glorious texture of Christian

Dr. Mahaffy blamed the churches, both of England and America, for narrowness and bigotry in their creeds. "Each church thinks that the other's doctrine is false." he declared. "Shall we, then. make reli-gion so sma and exclusive that it cannot even embrace all the Christians of our own

#### INSTANTLY KILLED.

#### Ex-Sheriff Mullican Loses His Life on the B. and O. Road.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. ROCKVILLE, Md., August 29 .- Ex-Sheriff Salathiel T. Mullican was instantly killed on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, about a mile west of Rockville, shortly after noon today. His dead body was found on the west-bound track soon after train No. 8 passed, and he is supposed to have been struck by that train. His body was badly crushed and one arm broken. He is supposed to have been crossing the railroad on his way home to dinner, as he resided within sight of the scene of the accident.

Justice of the Peace Brewer, acting as coroner, summoned a jury and will hold an inquest this afternoon. Sheriff Mullican was about sixty years of age and leaves the following children: Mrs. George Emrich, George W. Mullican, Beulah Mullican of this county and Charles P. Mullican of White Sulphur Springs.

For two years deceased was sheriff of this county, and at the time of his death was chief deputy under Sheriff Williams. He was a fine character, and was highly

## CONNECTICUT'S CAMPAIGN.

esteemed by a wide circle of friends.

#### Not to Be Formally Opened Until October 3-Appointments.

NEW YORK, August 29.-The republican national committee announced today that the campaign in Connecticut will not be formally opened until after the town elections on October 3. After that date many national sp eakers will be assigned to Connecticut. Senator Fairbanks has been scheduled to peak at Jersey City September 10. Senator Foraker of Ohio, who has been in New York a few days, will be at the opening of the campaign in West Virginia, at Parkersburg, September 17.

#### MICHIGAN MURDER MYSTERY. Mutilated Body of Young Man Found -Foul Play.

ORION, Mich., August 29.-Murder and dastardly attempt at concealment is the theory of the local police officers in the case of Maynard Bixby, whose mutilated body was found on the Michigan Central railroad tracks near Orion early today. Bixby, who was nineteen years old, lived with his parents in this city. He was with friends when last seen. He left them shortly after midnight Saturday night, pulling out his watch as he departed, and saying that he was going home. The watch was not found in the clothing on the dead body, and this fact, coupled with the finding of a blood-stained stone in the vicinity of the tragedy, furnishes the evidence of foul play upon which the police are working. A post mortem will precede the inquest, which will be held today. Bixby was a young man of good habits and was not addicted to the use of intoxi-

#### Hungarian Deputies Arrive at New York.

NEW YORK, August 29.-A party of Hungarian deputies and their friends, numbering sixty-one persons, arrived here today on the steamer Slavonia, en route to St. Louis, where they will attend the international parliamentary congress. On August 19 wireless connection was made with the admiralty station at Gibraltar, when congratulations were sent by the deputies on the steamer to the King of Hungary on the occasion of his birthday. Thursday, the 18th, being the king's birthday, was celebrated by a grand display of bunting throughout the ship. On Saturday, the 20th, which is the Hungarian national holi-day of St. Stefano, other festivities were indulged in during the day.

## Sailed for the United States.

LONDON, August 29.-James Stillman, the Earl and Countess of Dartmouth and the Earl and Countess of Lichfield will be passengers on the White Star line steamer Cedric, sailing from Liverpool, September 2, for New York.

General Ballington Booth and Mrs. Booth of the Volunteers of America will sail on the White Star line steamer Majestic, which will leave Liverpool, August 31, for

#### Washington Woman Sues Norfolk. special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

NORFOLK, Va., August 29 .- Mrs. Fannie . Gibbs of Washington, D. C., entered suit here Saturday against the city of Norfolk, claiming \$15,000 for serious injuries received as the result of falling over a desidewalk in the fashionable section fective sides of Norfolk.

## Railway Police Chief Resigned.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. CUMBERLAND, Md., August 29.-Ira D. Hawthorne has tendered his resignation as chief of the B. and O. railroad police on the Cumberland and Shenandoah division, the same to be effective September
1. His resignation has been accepted and
F. M. Hardy, now at Martinsburg, W. Va.,
and a lieutenant under Capt. Hawthorne, has been appointed his successor.

# Alabama Man Dies From Poison.

#### ROOSEVELT RECREATING.

#### Has Completed Letter of Acceptance Patent Solicitors.

OYSTER BAY, August 29.-President Roosevelt devoted his time today almost entirely to recreation. He and Secretary Loeb transacted some official business, but the volume of governmental matters was

Work on the letter of acceptance has been completed substantially and the document now is being transcribed in final form. It will be placed in the hands of the printer in a day or two.

In the next two or three days few visitors will be received at Sagamore Hill. No engagements have been made for call-ers today, although personal friends of the graph to visit him on any matter of im-

Secretary Loeb is importuned every day to make engagements with the President for people who desire to solicit his influence to secure a patent, to obtain attention or to induce the national committee to adopt some campaign device. To all such applicants it is made plain that they must proceed through the regular departmental or committee channels, as it is not within the President's providence to take up such questions. Even if he should see the applicants he could do nothing but refer their cases to the proper department, where it would be necessary for them to establish well-defined laws and regulations.

## Parker Elaborating Views on the Ques-

WORKING ON HIS LETTER.

tions at Issue. ESOPUS, N. Y., August 29.-Uninterrupted work upon his letter accepting the democratic nomination for the presidency and elaborating his views upon the questions at issue in the campaign was Judge Parker's program today.

William F. Sheehan returned to New York on the early train, after spending Sunday at his summer home here. During his stay he has had in all several hours conference with the candidate, during which the political situation, especially in the east, has been discussed.

#### MEMORIAL TO FOSTER. Tribute to Late Chicagoan by Repre-

## sentative Clergymen.

CHICAGO, August 29.-Memorial services in honor of the late Volney W. Foster were held in the First Presbyterian Church at Evanston, Addresses were made by Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis, Rev. Charles W. Little and Rev. H. P. Smith, all of whom had known Mr. Foster intimately. Dr. Hillis, who had come from Vancouver

in fulfillment of a promise made several months ago, when Mr. Foster felt that death was approaching, was the principal speaker and paid eloquent tribute to the noble character and splendid endowments of his dead friend. He recounted the many notable benefits to the public which had been received from Mr. Foster's energies, and eulogized his intellectual qualities. The following organizations to which Mr. Foster belonged took part in the services; Foster belonged took part in the Union League Club, National Business League, Ethical Club, Sheridan Road As-Holland Society, Sons of the sociation, Holland Society, Sons of the American Revolution and Evanston Historican

## TO LAUNCH A NEW PARTY.

#### Convention Held in Chicago Today-For Wealth Producers.

CHICAGO, August 29.-In response calls sent out to labor organizations, turner societies, single tax clubs and farmers and other economic reform bodies, a convention will be held here today for the e of launching a new national pothe country."

John Fitzpatrick, Arthur McCracken and John M. Vail are among the signers of the call, as chairman, secretary and treasurer respectively. In its embryonic form the party bears the name of the Jefferson democracy, but a move is on foot to give it the formal cognomen of "industrial liberty party."
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convention wil determine whether to put a national ticket in the field this year.

## ASKS FOR EXPLANATION.

#### Officers of Vehicle Company Must Explain Its Dividends.

TRENTON, N. J., August 29 .- Richard Siegmas of New York today filed in the court of chancery a bill against the Electric Vehicle Company, Martin Maloney and others, as directors of the company, The purpose of the bill is to compel Maloney and the other directors to make good \$704,800 which was paid out by the Electric Vehicle Company in dividends during

1899 and 1900. Siegmas charges that there were profits or surplus out of which these dividends could be paid, and he further alleges that they were paid out of the capital stock of the company in violation of the corporation laws of New Jersey, which holds directors responsible where they knowingly pay dividends in the absence of any earnings.

A similar bill was filed about two years ago, but was then dismissed because Siegthe directors of the company for permission to bring suit in the name of the company to recover the money in question He has since made this demand, but the request was refused.

Active at Democratic Headquarters. NEW YORK, August 29 .- All of the active campaign managers were at democratic headquarters today and saw quite a number of visitors from out of town. Among them were: Senator Clay and Representative Griggs of Georgia. Senator Latimer of South Carolina, former Senator Cannon of Utah. Representative Granger of Rhode Island and John G. Carlisle. Chairman Sheehan of the executive committee returned from Esopus and Mr. Belmont, DeLancy Nicoll and Chairman Taggart were all present at the morning conference. The democratic committee ing more attention to the organization in New York state than anything else just at nt, but is assisting in the campaigns in Vermont and Maine.

#### Police Clash With Workmen. RIGA, European Russia, August 29.-As-

sistant Chief of Police Liahin and two policemen were severely wounded yesterday while dispersing a crowd of unem-ployed persons who had assembled near the

Gold Medal for Young Woman Heroine MENOMINEE, Mich., August 29.-Gertrude Sawyer, the young heroine who piloted a party of five children across the waters of Green bay during a heavy storm last Thursday night, is to receive a gold medal for her brave act, to be purchased by funds subscribed by citizens of Menominee. The young woman saved the entire party from almost certain death battling with her oars until her hands were raw against tremendous waves. The sea that night was so heavy that all the larger steamships remained in port.

#### Satisfactory Reports at Chicago. CHICAGO, August 29.-Senator Dick,

chairman of the Ohio republican state committee, and Chairs an Hanna of the Maryland committee were among today's callers at republican national headquarters. Both made encouraging reports. Senator Dick admitted that considerable apathy had so far been manifested, but said he finds noth-Thorn, West Prussia, was burned last night, involving a loss of \$1,250,000. The fire caused a rise in the sugar market at Hamburg of 3 cents a hundredweight.

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## MANUFACTURES NOW LEAD.

#### For the First Time Agricultural Exports Are Exceeded.

Manufactures formed nearly one-half of the exports from the United States in the month of July. Speaking with statistical accuracy, they formed 48.27 per cent of the total domestic exports. For the first time in the history of the United States manufactures are exceeding agricultural products in the exportation of domestic products. Figures just issued by the Department of Commerce and Labor, through its bureau of statistics, show that in the month of July manufactures exported amounted to \$40,000,000, against 31 millions of agricultural products; and in the month of June manufactures amounted to nearly 42 millions, against 37½ millions of agricultural products. In former years agricultural products have greatly exceeded manufactures in the exports of the country, and it is only in recent months that manufactures have equaled or exceeded agricultural products in the export statements.

#### ERRORS AT THE WHITE HOUSE. Incorrect Inscription on Presidential Portraits.

She was a bright, well-dressed little woman, and she entered the White House just before noon today with a few female friends. They wandered past Policeman Jamison at the front door, with their eyes taking in everything on the walls and floors, She saw the painting of McKinley on the wall to the left of the north entrance. She inspected the potrait with care and read aloud the inscription, "William McKinley, twenty-fifth President," etc. Then they turned to the other side of the vestibule and saw Sargent's painting of President Roosevelt. All of them commented with animation upon the characteristics of the portrait, and she proceeded to read at the bottom of the painting, "Theodore Roosevelt, twenty-fifth President," with the date of his accession to office, etc.

"How is it possible that both McKinley and Roosevelt were the twenty-fifth President of the United States?" she asked her companions, and they looked amazed when they walked from one picture to the other and saw that each was put down officially as "twenty-fifth President."

"Well!" she exclaimed, and all of them stood in front of the painting of McKinley and discussed in lively manner the ap-

parent error. Finally they turned to Policeman Jamison and said: Polleeman Jamison and said:

"Please tell us how it is possible for both McKinley and Roosevelt to have been the twenty-fifth President of the United States." Jamison, with ten years' diplomatic experience at the White House, smiled and shrugged his shoulders in a way that plainly said, "I am not responsible." He had heard the same criticism several times in feet ever since the two naintings. times; in fact, ever since the two paintings were hung facing each other a number of

The same little woman continued on The same little woman continued on her trip around the big hallway peering at the inscriptions on the other paintings. She read under the portrait of Garfield, "James A. Garfield, twentieth President, March 4, 1881, to September 4, 1881."

"Why, I thought Garfield died later in September than that, and I am convinced

"He died on the 19th of September, and it's funny that September 4 should be given as the date," said a man standing

There was another flurry among the women and the discussion became more animated than before. They almost ran down the hall to the painting of Chester A. Arthur, who succeeded Garfield. The inscription beneath read: "Twenty-first President," "That seems to be accurate." she remark.

"That seems to be accurate," she remark-d, "but if Garfield was the twentieth President and Arthur was the twenty-first, then something is wrong with the inscrip-tin on the paintings of McKinley and Roosevelt, or, rather, of Roosevelt.'
Shs was right and there are some errors that must be corrected by somebody.

President Garfield died September 19, 1881.

litical party. The call urges the necessity for bringing into existence "a party based on the principles of liberty as set forth by Jefferson, which shall admit to its councils none except the wealth producers of the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the attention of the resident himself, must have escaped the resident h have been intended for the twenty-sixth President.

> Finns Pleased Over Call for Diet. HELSINGFORS. Finland. August 29 .-The definite announcement of the convening of the diet December 6 has created an excellent impression in Finland, where it had been feared for months that it was the intention of the Russian authorities to refuse to summon it. The list of subjects to be discussed, published in the Finland Gazette, beyond questions relating to the organization of the dlet, is not important, but the mere fact of the assembling of the four states, which the Finns consider to be bound up in all their traditions, taken in connection with the spirit of the recent imperial manifesto, has produced a good im-

## Conference of Steamship Agents.

FRANKFORT-ON-THE-MAIN, August 29.-Representatives of eight transatlantic steamship lines began a conference here this morning that may settle the passenger rate war. Those present were Herr Ballin, director general of the Hamburg-American line; George Palte and H. Weigand of the North German Lloyd line, J. Bruce Ismay and S. Anderson of the White Star line, J. Van Reuchlien and Herr Van der Toorn of the Holland American line, C. H. Tattel of the French Transatlantic Company, Court Councillor Emil Kurander of the Hungarian-Adriatic Company and Eduard Strasser of the Red Star line. An agreement is not likely to be reached to-

## King Alfonso Gets Sporty.

BILBAO, Spain, August 29.-King Alfonso has undertaken to organize an international regatta at Bilbao similar to the Kiel regatta. The king will present a cup and has promised to personally endeavor to secure foreign entries.

## Belgian Officials Will Visit Fair. NEW YORK, August 29.-A large party

of Belgian officials, en route for the St. Louis exposition arrived here today on the steamer Kronland. The party included Gillaume de Groot, member of the Belgian Royal Academy; A. Honzean de Le Hac and H. La Fontaine, members of the Belgian senate; Emile Van der Velde of the chamber of representatives, E. Verlant, director of beaux arts; Victor Watteyne, director of industry; Henry Carton de Wiart, secretary of the chamber of deputies, and Franz Novak, delegate of the Hungarian

American School at Erzeroum Burned. CONSTANTINOPLE, August 29.-The American school for boys at Erzeroum has been burned. It is believed the fire was started by an accident.

This is the second American school at Erzeroum to be destroyed by fire, the institution for girls having been burned January 10. The loss in that instance was attributed to incendiaries. Chas. C. Ruggles of Chicago Dead.

CHICAGO, August 29.-Charles C. Rug-

gles, vice president of the Chair Manu-

facturers' Association of the United States, is dead at his home here, aged forty-seven Georgia Cotton Exporter Dead. AUGUSTA, Ga., August 29 .- J. Walter Inman, a large cotton exporter, died suddenly last night at his country home near this city. He was attacked with convul-

### London Gunmaker Shot. Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

NEW YORK, August 29 .- A cablegram from London says: Albert Vickers, senior member of the Vickers' Maxim gun-making firm, was accidentally shot in the chest and

# "YOU CAN HAVE IT CHARGED"

## Closing Out the Shirt Waist Suits==Values High as \$10 Going for \$1.98.

A few days more of selling such as came to us last week and this popular sale of the fine Shirt Waist Suits will be a thing of the past. Dozens of new styles and kinds have been placed in the sale for tomorrow. The greater part were made to be sold as high as \$10, none less than \$6.08. There is an almost endless number of styles and kinds-some exquisitely designed and trimmed with finest Teneriffe and Valenciennes laces; most of them are in the popular kilt-skirt effects; all are the newest of the new, and in every detail strictly up to date. We have de-

Also choice from all the finest and highest class White Linen Suits in the store-including elegant quality Irish Linen Suits in many beautiful designs and styles. All are exquisitely trimmed; some with lace medallions; some with profuse hemstitching and fine tucks. These quality Irish Linen Suits in many beautiful designs and styles. All are exquisitely trim-

## Rare Savings in Shirts and Furnishings.

Quality Neglige Shirts, well-known brand and most desirable; in all sizes; wonderfully 25C. sell regularly at 75c. and more; another surprising shirt offering for to-39c. Men's Elegant Quality Laundered White Dress Shirts; make known the world over, and sold every-

Lot of Men's Superior

where at \$1.50 and \$2; an offering 59c. Special lot of Men's, Wo-men's and Children's Umbrellas; all of good quality and 35c.

Men's Night Robes that sell right along at 75c.; made full and ample; superior grade 39c. in every detail in every detail .... Men's Good Quality White Handkerchiefs that sell regularly at 51/2c.

Fancy Silk Madras Stock Collars, that sell at 75c. 14C and \$1..... Women's Fine Quality Mercerized Vests; silk tape neck and armholes; colors and black; 50c, always Men's Otis Make Balbriggan Underwear, for which you'd pay 75c. in any store; for 39c. Tuesday at.....

## Waists Going Regardless of Price.

We've gone through the entire Waist stock and have made clearance prices that will show our determination to close out without delay every Waist in the store—and there are many of the season's most attractive styles included. There's variety enough and smallness of price enough to tempt buying by the dozens. Note the reductions:

At 49c.

Lot of Fine Quality Black and White Lawn Waists that have sold at \$1.50 and thereabouts; all most desirable and stylish, and there are many attractive patterns.

Lot of about 200 Waists of finest Madras, Lawns, India Linens, etc.; waists that have sold as high as \$3. Going to

At \$1.49.

Waists of finest White India Linen, with beautifully embroidered fronts and trimmed with large pearl buttons. These exquisite Waists at \$1.49 instead of \$4.00.

## SPRINGTIME IN LHASA

FASCINATING SCENES ON ROAD TO SACRED CITY.

Edmund Candler Describes the Country Around Chumbi in the

Unknown Land. Chumbi Correspondence of the London Mail.

Before entering the bare, unsheltered

plateau of Tibet the road to Lhasa winds

through seven miles of pine forest, which recalls some of the most beautiful valleys of Switzerland The wood line ends abruptly. After that there is nothing but barrenness and desolation. The country around Chumbi is not very thickly forested. There are long strips of arable land on each side of the road and villages every two or three miles. The fields are terraced and inclosed within stone walls. Scattered on the hillside are stonebuilt houses, with low, overhanging eaves and long wooden tiles, each weighed down

with a gray boulder. One might imagine

one's self in Kandersteg or Lauterbrunnen,

only lofty praying flags and mani-walls brightly painted with Buddhistic pictures and inscriptions dispel the illusion. months a briar with large red berries and osler in March lend a russet hue to the ered grass is yellow, and the blending of these quiet tints—russet, brown and yellow—gives the valley a restful beauty. But in cloud it is somber enough. When spring comes there is a profusion of color. Every stunted rhododendron bush blossoms luxu-

#### riantly. Earth's Flower Garden.

Two years ago I was in the Yatung vailey at the same elevation as the gorge below Gautsa, which I am now describing, and not a day's march from it. The ground was carpeted with flowers. Besides the primulas-I counted eight different kinds of them-and gentians and anemones and cealndines and wild strawberries and irises, there were the rhododendrons glowing like coals through the pine forest. The rocks were coated with green and yellow moss, which formed a bed for the dwarf rhodo-dendron bushes, then in full flower, white and crimson and green, and every hue be-tween a dark reddish brown and a light sulphur yellow, not here and there, but everywhere, jostling one another for nooks

and crannies in the rock. These delicate flowers are very different from their dowdy cousin, the coarse red rhododendron of the English shrubbery. At a little distance they are more like ho house azaleas, and equal to them in wealth

Even now, in February, I can detect a few salmon-colored leaf buds which re-mind me that the month of May will be a revelation to the mission force whe veins are quickened by an unfamiliar warmth and their eyes dazzled by this un-expected treasure which is now germinating in the brown earth.

## Deceptive Approach.

Soon after this letter reaches England the

transformation will have begun. The present cheerless conditions will have ceased. Instead of icy winds and a wintry landscape there will be warmth and spring sunshine. Yet families at home will be forming their impressions of the valley from letters written now by their friends in the force. To disillusion them I cannot do better than to recall my impressions of the valley as I entered it in May two years ago. The valley had for me an intangible fascination, indescribable because it was illogical. Certainly the light that played on all these colors seemed to me softer than everyday sun-shine, and the opening foliage of birch and larch seemed to me more delicate and year larch seemed to me more delicate and varied than on common ground. Perhaps it was that I was approaching the forbidden land. But what Irony that this seductive valley should be the approach to the most bare and unsheltered land in Asia! Four miles from Chumbi the road passes

through the second military wall at the Chinese village of Gobsorg. Chubby little children run out and salute one with the cry of "backsheesh," the first allen word in their infant vocabulary. The women of the valley wear a distinctive flat green cap with a red patch in front, which harmonred, of which the primal ingredients are dirt and cutch, erroneously called pigs blood, and the natural ruddiness of a healthy outdoor life in a cold climate. A procession of these sirens is comely and picturesque—at a hundred yards. A little further on the road is Galing-kha, a large Tibetan village where the praying flags are as thick as masts in a dockyard. Here one

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to a European gun. Shao are shy beasts, and nowhere abundant. They are not found above the wood limit. Black panther and musk deer are sometimes met in these forests, but they are not common. Pheasants are plentiful. When the sappers and miners were working on the road below Gautsa the blood pheasants used to come down to the stream to watch the operations. Now the game birds are almost all frightened out of the valley. One finds the blood pheasant high up in the pine forests in patches of moist earth where the snow has melted. When disturbed he runs up the hillside and betrays his new hiding place by vociferous calls. Pheasant shooting at Chumbi is not sport, as the birds seldom rise, and one must shoot them running for the pot. But a day with a gun is very in-teresting to a naturalist. Besides the blood heasant, there are minal and tracopan, The cock minal, as every sportsman knows, has the most gorgeous plumage of any pheasant except the Arguseye. The tracopan is also a very beautiful bird, but they are only occasionally shot on this side of the Himalayas.

Gautsa, which lies five miles north of Lingmathang, nearly half way between Chumbi and Phari, must be added to the as thick as masts in a dockyard. Here one sees unwieldly wooden frames hanging from poles fifty or sixty feet high. They are used, we were told, for illuminations in festival time, but the general impression of the force after a good deal of conjecture was that they were cradles of correction for refractory children. A mile further a sudden turn in the valley brings one to a level plain—a phenomenally flat piece of ground, where one can race two miles along the straight. No one passes it without remarking that it is the best site for a hill station in northern India. Where else can one find a race course, polo ground, fishing and shooting, and a rainfall that is

signed for building sites. Nature evidently intended the place for a hill station.

Quarry Among the Hills.

It was on the hill above Lingmathang that Major Wallace Dunlop shot his shao (Sikkim stag), the first beast of the kind to fall

GEO. W. BOYD,

## Art of Fencing Came From Italy.

From the Cornhill Magazine. Although the Germans were always redoubtable at the rougher games of swordsmanship, it is in Italy that we find the first development of that nimbler, more regulated, more cunning, better controlled play which we have learned to associate with the term fencing. It is from Italy that fencing as a refined art first spread over Europe; not from Spain, as it has been asserted by many writers.

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It is in the Italian rapler play of the late sixteenth century that we find the foundations of fencing in the modern sense of the word. The Italians—if we take their early books as evidence, and the fact that their phraseology of fence was adopted by all Europe—were the first to perceive (as soon as the problem of armor breaking ceased to be the most important one in a fight) the superior capabilities for elegant slaughter possessed by the point as compared with the edge. They accordingly reduced the breadth of their sword, modified the hill portion thereof to admit of a readier thrust action, and relegated the cut to quite a secondary position in their system. With this lighter weapon they devised in course of time that brilliant, cunning, catlike play known as rapler fence.

murmur and vituperation from the fighting class of swordsmen.

course of time that brilliant, culling, like play known as rapier fence.

The rapier was ultimately adopted everywhere by men of courtly habit, but in England at least it was not accepted without land at least it was not accepted without

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